PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 5552.1464-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Udo KRUPKA

Application No.: 10/561,343

Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Sharon L. Hurt

PCT Filed: June 17, 2004§ 371 Date: December 22, 2005

Confirmation No.: 5936

For:

NOVEL SURFACE PROTEIN (HBsAg)

VARIANT OF THE HEPATITIS B VIRUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of January 4, 2007. The items checked below are appropriate:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$1020.00 for the extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Ad	ditional Fee
Total	19	-	19	0	x \$ 50	\$	0
Indep.	5	-	4	1	× \$200		\$200.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$360							0
					Subtotal	\$	200.00
	Reduction by ½ if small entity					-	0
TOTAL						\$	200.00

A check for \$1220.00 to cover the above extra claims and extension fees is enclosed. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: June 26, 2007

Elizabeth A. Doheny

Reg. No. 50,894